



**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION
DIRIDON STATION CONCEPT PLAN
DECISION #3**

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020

The Council of the City of San José reconvened from the January 28, 2020 Council Meeting to a Study Session at 6:07 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: Council Members - Esparza, Khamis Davis, Peralez, Jones, Foley, Liccardo, Diep, Jimenez; Liccardo.

Absent: Council Members - Arenas, Carrasco.

Staff: Assistant City Attorney Ed Moran, City Manager David Sykes; Director, Department of Transportation, John Ristow; Deputy City Manager, City Manager’s Office, Jim Ortbal; Deputy Director, Department of Transportation, Jessica Zenk; Diridon Station Program Manager, Liz Scanlon; Chief Operating Officer, Caltrain, Michelle Bouchard; Director of Policy, Caltrain, Sebastian Petty; City Clerk Toni J. Taber, and Deputy City Clerk Ruth Krantz.

PURPOSE

To provide City Council and community members with information on the benefits, and tradeoffs of the different track approaches to the Diridon Station that are being considered as part of the Diridon Integrated Station Concept Plan.

PRESENTATION

The City Council received detailed information on the features of potential track approaches into and out of the station. The Diridon Partner Agencies presented information on the benefits and tradeoffs of each of these options in terms of property impacts, noise, vibration, visual impacts, and environmental impacts.

Mayor Sam Liccardo opened the floor for public comment.

Public Comments: Offering comments pertaining to the Plan, noting environmental concerns, quality of life and long-term considerations and various recommendations, were: Roland LeBrun, Larry Ames, Brett Bymaster, Roberto Davila, Ed Rast, Harvey Darnell, Jeremy Taylor, Bill Rankin, Mike Sodergren, and Kevin Christman.

Staff and Diridon Partner Agency representatives responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Sam Liccardo noted the Council will vote on a preferred track alignment at the February 4, 2020 meeting of the City Council.

OPEN FORUM

Michelle Wallin, Venu Rad, Utpala Sharma, and Alex Wozniak voiced concerns about the 5G cell tower proposed for 1212 Delmos Avenue, raising awareness about any cell towers being placed in close proximity to residential areas. Mike Sodergren, PAC*SJ offered support to development of a headquarters hotel project behind the Convention Center. Roland LeBrun recommended another look at underground track proposals. Ed Rast urged all ten districts to participate in the neighborhood CEQA classes being offered.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sam Liccardo adjourned the Study Session at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared and Respectfully Submitted by,

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